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- Mobilization for the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) reform movement was begun in some areas of China during January 1952. However, the three-anti's and five-anti's movements had already begun and all Party cadres were taking part in these drives and had little time to devote to Party reform. Central Party authorities therefore ruled that with the exception of several areas the drive to reform the Party would be temporarily suspended.
- 2. After the conclusion of the three-anti's and five-anti's movements in July 1952, a directive was issued by the Central Committee of the CCP containing the following points:
 - a. Mobilization for Party reform will begin immediately and it is hoped that the drive for reform will be fully under way in two or three months.
 - b. The policies and objectives of the reform movement are those outlined in the resolutions passed by the All China Conference on Organization Work. 2 However, there will be some changes in procedures because of sentiment that arose in the Party during the three-anti's movement. The reform drive will begin with the education of all Party members in the "eight requirements or Party members."3 This instruction will provide a high standard for members to attain. Those who do not reach the required standard will be subjected to criticism and those who are far below standard will be advised to leave the Party. Those who are below the standard but express willingness to improve should be instructed patiently. However, if they fail to attain the required standard, they will be advised to leave the Party

Criticism and self-criticism must be practiced by all members. Resolute measures must be used to wipe out undesirable elements but the "tiger hunting" approach used in the three-anti's campaign shall not be used. Patience,

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central Party authorities were careful to point out that "tiger hunting" struggles will not be permitted in the new reform movement because they realized that there was dissatisfaction among Party members in Peiping over the idea of another reform campaign. To quiet fear that a new purge was beginning, the authorities explained that the major emphasis of the new reform would be on general education of all Party members.